

only represent a small portion of the many that his life affected. I feel that my predecessor, former Congressman Sonny Callahan, was accurate when he stated that Mr. Stump's "quiet manner produced some of the greatest effects of any I've ever observed. He was a quiet member who seldom spoke at great lengths on the floor, but his ability to get things that he believed in done was phenomenal." We are privileged to have known and worked with this passionate and loyal individual. Mr. Stump will be greatly missed and always remembered.

MOTHER JONES

**HON. RUSH D. HOLT**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 9, 2003*

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a memorable figure in our Nation's labor history and to recognize the role of my district in history. Today, we commemorate the accomplishments of Mother Mary Harris Jones, a pioneer in the courageous battle to protect society's most vulnerable. I would like to commend the New Jersey State AFL-CIO, particularly President Charles Wowkanec and Secretary-Treasurer Laurel Brennan, for preparing the public recognition of a woman of tremendous fortitude. Their leadership on behalf of working people in this State follows in the tradition of Mother Jones. If she were here today she would be proud that her legacy is being so well served by two of New Jersey's most respected leaders.

The dawn of the 20th century was a bright time for many in America, as our industrial and economic strength leapt forward to meet a new era. For too many, though, it was a dreary, dangerous, and disheartening time. Simply by virtue of the circumstances of their birth, thousands of this Nation's poorest children were forced to work in dangerous conditions in mining and textile industries. Many were robbed of life. Those who survived often suffered a lifetime of chronic maladies.

This inequity had no place in Mother Jones's vision of America, and Jones fought vigorously for justice. In the spring of 1903, this fight brought her to Princeton, New Jersey, with an army of 100,000 textile workers that included 16,000 children, who had left their jobs in the Philadelphia area so that a nation might recognize their plight. Mother Jones stood before a crowd of professors, students, and citizens at Princeton University, bringing to the gates of higher education those children who were robbed of even the chance to read or write. Children at this demonstration carried signs saying, "I want to go to school." She showed them James Ashworth, whose ten-year-old spine was contorted from carrying 75-pound bundles of yarn, 10 hours each day, earning \$3 per week. She spoke, and a generation was given the hope that a better day would come and the courage to take action against more powerful forces.

Mother Jones sparked the Nation's consciousness that day in Princeton. Her army took the first steps toward equity for workers and the abolition of child labor in America. One hundred years later, we should remember her fight, and I hope that all Americans learn from this woman's moral strength and her concern for our poorest children. As we reenact

the events of that day and dedicate a memorial to honor Mother Jones, we must continue to speak out for those whose voices are unheard. In so doing we must defend the right to organize, earn a decent living, work in a safe environment, and ensure that all in America share in the progress of this Nation.

IN HONOR OF THE REVEREND  
JOHN C. DALTON

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 9, 2003*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of the Reverend John C. Dalton, pastor of Holy Name Parish, on the occasion of his retirement from active ministry.

Father Dalton began serving the Northeast Ohio community in May, 1948, when he was ordained into the priesthood. He ministered to families and individuals in Akron, Lorain, Cleveland and Tallmadge before joining Holy Name Parish in 1972. Father Dalton became pastor of Holy Name in 1973, and has served the parishioners at Holy Name for the past thirty years.

Father Dalton's legacy to the Holy Name community will forever be embedded within each new generation of parishioners at Holy Name Parish. During his ministry at Holy Name church, Father Dalton was instrumental in maintaining the structural beauty of Holy Name church—one of the most stunning edifices in the Greater Cleveland area. Moreover, Father Dalton leaves a legacy of sincere compassion and commitment to each member of his congregation. His kind words, deeds and spiritual assistance to those in need will be forever remembered, and he will be greatly missed by the entire Holy Name community.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of Father John C. Dalton, on the occasion of his retirement from the active ministry. Father Dalton—spiritual leader, compassionate counselor, wise administrator, and friend to all—will remain in the hearts and souls of all who know him. The parishioners Father Dalton has served, especially those within the Holy Name community, will always remember his integrity, kindness, compassion and dedication, and his legacy and example will live on for generations to come.

HONORING REVEREND HOWARD  
JOHNSON

**HON. JO BONNER**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 9, 2003*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Reverend Howard Johnson for his 21 years of service as pastor of the Truevine Missionary Baptist Church of Mobile, Alabama, and for numerous other contributions he has made to his community throughout his lifetime.

Rev. Johnson was born in Jackson, Alabama, on June 26, 1940. He grew up in Clarke County, and it is there that he received his primary education. In 1967, Mr. Johnson entered the ministry and was licensed to

preach. His first church was the Bethlehem Baptist Church in Citronelle, Alabama, and he served there from 1968–1980. He received his Associate Arts Degree from S.D. Bishop State Junior College in 1975 and Bachelor of Arts Degree from Mobile College in 1976. In 1979, he graduated from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity Degree, and in 1980 he earned his Doctor of Divinity Degree from the Virginia Seminary. He became the pastor of the Truevine Missionary Baptist Church in 1982 and has remained there to date.

Besides serving as a pastor, Rev. Johnson has held positions in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church and the Sweet Pilgrim Baptist Church. He currently serves as the Chaplain for the University of South Alabama Medical Center. Throughout the years he has been a member of and led many civic and religious organizations. With his dedication to God and his community it is no surprise that he has been recognized with awards by various groups on numerous occasions. His life has been and continues to be an example for all to follow.

I got to know Rev. Johnson during what was most certainly the most difficult period in his life following the death of his son, Howard, II, in service to his country in Iraq. The reverend showed almost inhuman strength, faith, and courage during this tragic time, and he has my deepest respect and admiration.

It is most appropriate that on July 13, 2003, Rev. Johnson will be recognized for his 21 years at the Truevine Missionary Baptist Church. His wife, Gloria, and two daughters, Zsazquez RaShaunn and Geiselle LaVonne will join him in his celebration. This is a much deserved honor. We are fortunate to have Rev. Johnson as a leader in our district, and I am truly proud to call him my friend.

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SPEECH OF

**HON. RUSH D. HOLT**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 8, 2003*

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, in light of yesterday's consideration of a bill to ensure that federal retirees will not lose their prescription drug coverage under the Republican leadership's Medicare prescription drug legislation, I have a question for Mr. DAVIS.

Chairman DAVIS, I applaud you and the Government Reform Committee for looking out for the interests of retired federal employees. I must ask, however, why you do not see an inconsistency here.

With this bill, you have acknowledged that the Medicare drug legislation passed by this House could give Congress an incentive to drop prescription drug coverage for federal retirees because they will get prescription drug coverage under Medicare.

Will you also acknowledge that under the Medicare bill passed by the Republican leadership, nearly one-third of employers currently offering retiree drug benefits—covering 11 million seniors—would drop that coverage, according to the CBO? If federal retirees are to